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Foreign languages scheduled online

By TARA LEWIN
Assistant Features Editor

Restricted courses needing to be registered onsite are fewer this year, Sheree Covert, registrar, said.

Foreign language courses can now be scheduled online. Students entering a Wartburg foreign language course are typically placed at a level based on the number of years of completed high school foreign language courses.

When class registration moved online with the Jenzebar system for the first time last year, foreign language course prerequisites were not identified with the system, Covert said. Students then had to schedule for these courses onsite.

Classes requiring online registration, however, still include ID 373 and RE 373, both part of venture education, as well as applied music lessons. Wartburg West courses, arranged studies, independent studies, other venture courses and internship credits also must be registered in the registrar's office.

Students who register for more than 4.5 credits must register onsite as well. Onsite registration forms are available from advisers.

A few requirements are necessary before students can begin registering March 14, the day allotted for third and fourth years.

All students must meet with their advisers a week before their classified registration day. During this time, students will discuss and clear proposed schedules. Students must also have their Winter and May Term bill paid to below \$500 before being cleared by the controller's office.

Covert suggested third and fourth years meet with advisers the week before break. Also, since first-year students will be registering when classes resume after Easter break, Covert suggested they meet with advisers the week before break as well. Second-year students should meet with advisers the week before their registration classification March 21.

Registration dates

March 1 to 4

■ Current third- or fourth-year students meet with advisers

March 14 to 15

■ Current third- or fourth-year students register

March 16 to 18

■ Current second-year students meet with advisers

March 21 to 22

■ Current second-year students register

March 23 to 25

■ Current first-year students meet with advisers

March 29 to 30

■ Current first-year students register

The 2005-2006 course schedule is available on Inet or <http://my.wartburg.edu>. Registration information booklets are available outside the registrar's office. The course schedule grid is used for online registration and can be downloaded from www.wartburg.edu/academics/registrar.

Covert emphasized students do not improve their chances to get into a certain class by, for example, registering online at midnight the first day of registration rather than waiting until 11:15 p.m. the last day. Final class rosters will be determined by class seniority and need.

Students appearing as waitlisted or enrolled upon registration may not actually be so. Actual rosters will be final the weekend following each registration period.

Unlike last year, no help sessions for students with questions about online registration will be offered, but Covert said if students do have questions, they should feel free to stop by the registrar's office or Pathways.

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"The Music Man"



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RIVER CITY TOWNSPEOPLE—Sophomore Dana Collova and freshman Justin Crouse sing "Iowa Stubborn Trouble" in "The Music Man," a production by Wartburg Players and the music department. The show ran Thursday through Saturday.



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'OH, PLEASE, LET IT BE FOR ME'—A group performs "Wells Fargo Wagon" in the final scene of the first act of "The Music Man."

Comedian Bill Engvall tickets sell out

By TINA HINZ
News Editor

Tickets for comedian Bill Engvall's Thursday performance in Neumann Auditorium were sold out early Wednesday, about a week after sales began.

Both the public and Wartburg students were able to purchase tickets at 8 a.m. Monday. Each person was allowed to buy a limit of 10 tickets. A 180-seat student-only section was

reserved for student selection during the first two days of sales.

"Sales were so intense that first day," sophomore Bryan McCarty, Entertainment ToKnight (ETK) ticket sales and promotion co-chair, said. "At first, we thought we would sell out but didn't think it would happen this quickly."

McCarty said the event's popularity likely is Engvall's link with the Blue Collar Comedy Tour, which includes renowned comedians Jeff Foxworthy, Ron White and Larry the

Cable Guy. The group's second season DVD "Blue Collar Comedy Tour Rides Again" was released Dec. 7.

"We've had a really good response to such a big name, and the student body and public are really excited and pumped about it."

This is the second ETK-sponsored big event to sell out. The first was a Jars of Clay concert sometime in the last five to 10 years, according to ETK records.

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Board of Regents meet

The Board of Regents met Thursday through Sunday in Mesa, Ariz., for its winter meeting.

According to President Jack R. Ohle Wednesday, the agenda would include discussion and approval of student tuition, room and board costs and a college budget for the 2005-2006 academic year.

Administrators

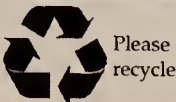
refused to comment Sunday, but an explanatory letter with some decisions will be mailed to parents of students Wednesday. Students will receive the same information in an e-mail Thursday, Ohle said.

Ohle should be back in the office Tuesday or Wednesday, Ferol Menzel, dean of students, said.

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Napoleon Dynamite

a cult-like following

By JESSI LECLEAR
Columnist

Oh my dear Napoleon, what have they done to you? The world has exploded with your DVDs, CDs, T-shirts and action figures. Well, maybe not action figures, but I wouldn't be at all surprised to see them proudly displayed in people's homes someday.



I first watched "Napoleon Dynamite" this summer back in Colorado, and yes, did fall in love with it. Why? It's a total tribute to my youth. How could one not enjoy reminiscing back to the old days (I sound like my grandma) of getting the coolest-looking Trapper Keeper, eating those oh-so-delicious tater tots in the cafeteria and becoming the triumphant winner of tetherball (or being like me and

staying far away because you have much more of a chance of being hit in the head than scoring a point)?

So, I came to campus with the best conversation starter I could think of and continuously asked people if they had seen "Napoleon Dynamite" in hopes that I could relate with someone on the subject. Bad idea. Of the nearly fifty students I asked, only one had ever seen the film. "No big deal," I thought to myself, "I'll just make sure they watch it when it comes out." In a way, I was glad not a lot of people had seen it, it made "Napoleon" all the more unique.

Winter break brought a wave of change and I returned to Wartburg to find that a good majority of the campus had not only watched the movie, they had all joined its cult as well. Everyone was talking about it like it was some major breakthrough in the film industry. Okay, it's original and entertaining, but a breakthrough? There was not one hall I walked down without hearing the distinct music of

"Napoleon Dynamite" and not one conversation that I joined that could not help but add in a few one-liners of "sweet," "freakin' idiot" and my favorite, "gosh" (in a long drawn-out voice like one can't breathe).

The most annoying part of it all, is people attempting to impersonate the lisp of Kip or the emotion of Napoleon and failing miserably, yet still being commemorated with laughter or applause. A good joke or line deserves a laugh the first few times, then a drowned out chuckle the next few times, but after hearing the same aggravating quotes time after time, I can't help but roll my eyes. I don't mean to be so cynical, I'm a major "Napoleon Dynamite" fanatic myself and am a proud owner of the film and a T-shirt (that I made myself, not that anyone cares), but the spirit of the movie has been frisked away and now joins the thousands of other wonderful things that have turned into fads.

I know that I have only to wait it



Source: www.cincinnati.com

out a little, and soon "Napoleon Dynamite" will fade away just as did yo-yo's, Beanie Babies, Silly Putty and every other thing that gave one the title of "in" with what the age said was "in."

I suppose I should be happy that the world has discovered the joy of "Napoleon Dynamite," but disappointment usually follows when my favorite things meet the mainstream line. It happened with "Lord of the Rings," it's currently happening with punk rock and indie, and soon I will find my favorite band Relient K in its clutches. Oh well, I'll always have the memories.

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Celebrate women's history

By EMILY DIEKER
Guest Columnist

It is reaching that point in the semester when most of us are overwhelmed with midterms and semester projects. Most of us could move through the month of March in a daze of cramming and Winter Break road trips without even realizing the significance of the month. The United States celebrates Women's History Month in March; unfortunately this celebration often goes unnoticed.

The growing women's studies department at Wartburg College was determined not to let another year go by without recognizing this celebration. This March the women's studies department will commemorate the contributions of women to history through a number of events and projects throughout the month.

The celebration of Women's History Month started in 1980 with the formation of the National Women's History Project (NWHF). NWHF is a nonprofit, nonpartisan, educational organization whose mission is to honor, recognize, and celebrate the diverse historic accomplishments of women by providing information and educational materials and programs.

This year is also the 25th anniversary of the



celebration of March as Women's History Month. To commemorate this anniversary, NWHF is recognizing all 143 previous Women's History Week and Month honorees in their celebration of "Women Change America."

2005 is also the 85th anniversary of women winning the right to vote in the United States. The 19th Amendment, ratified on Aug. 18, 1920, marked the end of a 72-year campaign for women's suffrage. The movement will be among the many contributions of women to history recognized this March.

The women's studies department has planned a number of events and projects throughout the month of March to celebrate women's history.

All events are free and open to all members of the Wartburg College community. These programs are excellent opportunities for the Wartburg community to become more informed about women's history and contemporary women's issues.

On March 22 the film "Iron Jawed Angels" will be shown at 8 p.m. in Science Center Room 102. The film was released by HBO Films in 2004

and is a dramatic portrayal of the women's suffrage movement led by Alice Paul, which ultimately resulted in the ratification of the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution granting women the right to vote. "Iron Jawed Angels" is both educational and entertaining. The film will

be followed by a discussion and refreshments.

Staceyann Chin will be presenting a special convocation at 7 p.m. March 29 in Neumann Auditorium. Chin is a poet and political activist. Her convocation serves as both a Women's History Month event and one of the efforts to increase positive conversations about Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender and Questioning (GLBTQ) issues scheduled throughout the month of March.

Other Women's History Month projects to watch for this March include a quiz on women's history in the Mensa, trivia on the TV in the student center, the work of women artists displayed in Waldemar A. Schmidt Art Gallery and various posters around campus.

Don't let another year go by without recognizing the extraordinary contributions of women to both U.S. and world history. While it would be easy to let this month fly by like every single other, I strongly encourage everyone to do otherwise. Discounting women's history as insignificant is discounting the contributions of 50% of the world's population. I strongly encourage you to take advantage of the opportunities to recognize women's history this March and to continue to celebrate women's history and contributions throughout the entire year.

To learn more about Women's History Month visit the National Women's History Project at <http://www.nwhp.org>. For more information about the women's studies program at Wartburg College contact Ann Henninger at Ann.Henninger@wartburg.edu or Emily Dieker at Emily.Dieker@wartburg.edu.

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Blow
your
horn

Editor's note: This is a section that allows readers to submit an anonymous opinion in two sentences or less. Send submissions for "Blow Your Horn" to trumpet@wartburg.edu.

- Way to go, "Music Man" cast! The performances were excellent. Great work!
- Congratulations to the men's and women's basketball teams who both played great in the Iowa conference tournament.
- Why did the Wartburg Players charge students to see the musical when other events are free?
- Does the college (security) ever make room checks for drugs?

Seeing political change in Spain

By JUSTIN KADER
Columnist

Adjusting to life in Spain has not been a struggle for me; besides the food, architecture and nightlife, the overall open-mindedness of most Spaniards has been refreshing. For example, porros (tobacco mixed with hashish) can be smoked on the street, the drinking age is 16 and a flash of nudity here or there on network television never hurt anyone.

I was most pleasantly surprised to hear that none of my three openly gay dorm mates (out of seven) were harassed about their sexuality or felt threatened by anyone younger than the Franco generation. Yes, the autonomous region of Madrid seems to have a much more liberal atmosphere than back in the United States. And just to reassure you, the institution of marriage has not been ruined, teenagers are not drunk sex fiends and no scenes from "Reefer Madness" have been re-enacted.

Furthermore, most Spaniards I have run across are up to speed on worldly issues outside of their border and know a thing or two about politics, unlike many of my American counterparts on my program who, whenever I hint at a political topic, humbly tell me, "Well, I'm conservativebut I don't really know anything about politics."

However, despite this liberal society of worldly indi-

viduals, I was shocked to find that most people suffer from apathy just as much as people in the U.S. Last week the European Constitution referendum passed, but the vast majority of Spaniards could not tell me what the EU constitution entails. To top it off, only 42 percent of the population voted, and Spain is one of the most EU-enthusiastic nations in Europe. While, sadly, 42 percent looks good to us, it is lacking for Europe, which usually has voting rates in the 70s or higher.

I couldn't believe the amount of apathy, particularly at a critical time when Bush visited Europe, whose majority disagrees with the United States' military unilateralism, pro-Israel policies and reliance on an outdated NATO for transatlantic decision-making. I don't understand how anyone can not care when the president of the most powerful nation in the world makes cavalier jokes at an EU-U.S. summit about mass violence: "This notion that the United States is getting ready to attack Iran is simply ridiculous. And having said that, all options are on the table."

Martin Luther King Jr. explained the importance of

being informed and taking even the smallest of actions when he said, "Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter." In Spain I have come to realize that an increasingly lower life expectancy is not limited to uninformed and close-minded individuals.

I did run across a ray of hope this week when I received an e-mail from the Illinois Public Interest Research Group. The Senate Environment and Public Works Committee was to vote on Bill S. 131, which would repeal and weaken "provisions in the Clean Air Act that govern most industries, limit toxic pollution, protect our national parks, set deadlines for achieving clean air in our cities and give our local and state officials authority to protect local air quality." After a modest 800 phone calls, the planned vote was canceled because there was not enough legislative support to pass the bill.

If 800 phone calls can affect national policy, imagine how little effort you need to bring change right here in Iowa. While we must continue to spread awareness and keep ourselves informed, the real challenge lies in involvement and action. As Black History Month concludes, let's not forget Martin Luther King Jr.'s words of wisdom.

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Editorial

Celebrate cultural heritage

As St. Patrick's Day nears take a moment to trace your roots and celebrate them. March 17 makes it easy for all of us to wear green and claim an Irish heritage. But don't stop there. For the Germans among us, take a trip to Amana April 30 or May 1. Watch a Maypole and listen to some polka. For the Czechs and Slovaks, Czech Village in Cedar Rapids has the National Czech and Slovak Museum and Library (NCSML). The Bohemian Garnet's exhibit opens Thursday and will be at the NCSML until Sept. 25. The Vesterheim Norwegian-American Museum in Decorah provides yet another opportunity for students to get in touch with their roots. There are many more opportunities, especially in the summer.

You can also celebrate on your own. Simple traditions like high tea for the British, or eating sushi like the Japanese are just a few examples. If you want to go all out you could have a potluck with dishes from around the world.

There are also organizations on campus, like the Black Student Union (BSU), that were established to "create awareness and stimulate an appreciation of Black Americans' contributions to our culture and society," according to the BSU Web site.

Many of us have ancestors from many countries. Don't just celebrate your Irish heritage because it is easy. Take a moment; wear a green shirt with garnet earrings while you listen to a little polka, then go out for a little sushi.

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Wartburg Everyman laments spaghetti

By DAVID KORDAHL
Columnist

As the Wartburg Everyman (WE) walked to the Mensa through the skywalks, he saw on the bulletin board that holds Wartburg news clippings an advertisement with the heading, "Celebrating milestone in \$88 million Campaign Wartburg." Surrounding the text were pictures of the renovations that have recently polished the campus: the science laboratories, the student center and the new campus entrance, all imaged in full color.

Even on an empty stomach, coming from a hard morning of class, WE saw that \$88 million is a lot of money. In the Year of the Sciences, might there be a better way to express the sum than dollars — some unit that could reflect the actual value of what has been spent?

WE pondered this as he walked to the lunch line, as his card was swiped and as he picked up his new tray to hold his new pastel plate and spaghetti. Sitting down alone beside the outer windows, WE saw a new world that was strangely grotesque. The Mensa was immaculate, with seating for all, good food that everyone complained about and nice carpet. This was the purpose of the money spent: to make his and all these other complainers' lives cushy.

Then WE hit on an idea. If each human being costs money to keep alive, couldn't money be said in terms of person-years? Say, if on average one person costs \$5,000 to keep alive for one year (a gross overestimation, he vague-

ly realized, thinking about normal world incomes), then the \$88 million would be 17,600 person-years.

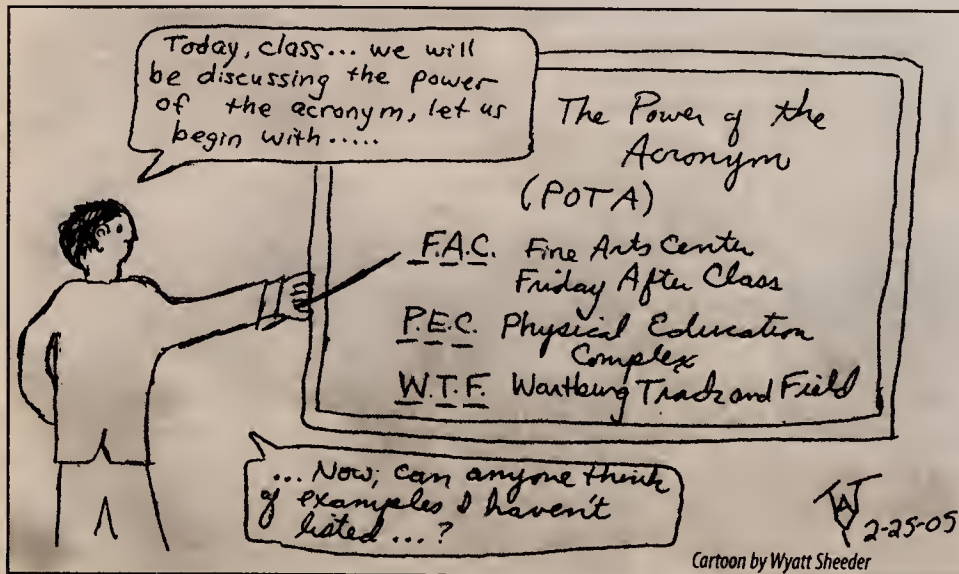
Instead of that, though, there are constructions of brick and glass, not flesh and blood. People live well here with their immaculately cushy lives, and people elsewhere die constantly from starvation. He watched groups of people joke around the tables, enjoying themselves even as they were personally responsible for bringing death to the world by participating in this terrible system.

But wait. WE looked down at his tray and realized that his food was getting cold. What were these crazy thoughts anyway? If there were no buildings, there would be no college, or the construction and architecture industries would go kaput or something else bad. And education is the most important thing, isn't it? Knowledge for its own sake? People are not just talking stomachs. We need to support learning, to buy books, to make football fields and pianos and to allow for our own enrichment before we can begin worrying about others. Thoughts began to flow easily now ... and hey!

At that point, a friend sat down with WE. This whole 'responsibility to a larger world' thing wasn't really worth worrying about anyway, he suddenly figured. There was nothing he could do, right? Of course not. The world is too big for guilt.

The Wartburg Everyman happily devoured his blood-red spaghetti as he and his friend talked about what wonderful improvements could be made in the upcoming PEC.

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Letter to the Editor

To the Editor,

I am writing to publicly thank six students that recently showed a tremendous commitment to higher education and to Wartburg College. Mary Achelpohl, Emily Barnd, Steph Schwartz, Sarah Walters, Jess Wilke and Alek Wiperman recently participated in an event co-sponsored by the admissions and financial aid state associations called "Visit the Hill."

"Visit the Hill" is a one-day event that consists of meetings in the morning to learn about current issues in higher education and how to lobby our state legislators about those issues. The afternoon is spent at the state capital encouraging our state legislators to support bills and funding that would benefit higher education communities.

Wartburg College had the most students representing their institution. While taking time out of their busy schedules, they did a fantastic job stating their case to our state legislators. I was very proud to be affiliated with this fine group of students.

Jen Sassman, Director of Financial Aid

Gallery exhibit includes three-dimensional art



Erin Manson/TRUMPET

SCULPTURE ON DISPLAY—Artwork by Joan Webster-Vore is on display in the Waldemar A. Schmidt Gallery in the Fine Arts Center until March 18.

By KACI HANSON
Staff Writer

Joan Webster-Vore's "Passages of Time" is currently on exhibit in the Waldemar A. Schmidt Gallery of the Bachman Fine Arts Center.

Her three-dimensional artwork ranges from sculptures made of corkscrew willow branches, rice, coal and fabric to some select oil paintings on paper. Another piece features money on canvas.

Such a wide range in material and technique used throughout the artwork called for a metaphoric title.

"The title, 'Passages of Time,' is a metaphor relating to the connection of the individual pieces in this exhibition. Many of the pieces are vessels of different sizes and arrangements," she said.

Webster-Vore wants to attract diverse opinions and reactions from visitors.

"My hope is that the individual viewer will respond to the individual pieces in a thoughtful and reflective way. I want the viewer to draw their own conclusions," she said.

This is Webster-Vore's first Wartburg exhibit.

"I wanted to have a show at Wartburg because it is a wonderful school and has a very nice gallery space," she said. "I also thought it would be a good opportunity for me to show some of my recent work."

Webster-Vore has work permanently on display in the Waterloo Center for the Arts in Waterloo, North Iowa Area Community College in Mason City and the Iowa State University library in Ames.

She has been exhibiting her artwork since 1976.

Her work will be at Wartburg until March 18. The gallery is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily.

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Burning? Questions?

Q: What happens to posters that are put up around campus without the stamp of approval?

A: Campus policy states that posters in violation of this rule will be removed. See the student handbook for more information.

Q: Where are our yearbooks from last year?

A: The 2004 Fortresses have not been printed yet. A change in the computer operating system in the J-Lab several months ago first set back the progress. Then, a variety of other problems surfaced. The books should be out in a few weeks.

Send Burning Questions to trumpet@wartburg.edu before Thursday.

Weekly Record

Campus security

Jan. 31

1:45 p.m., east parking lot behind student center, vandalism. A resident assistant reported seeing a red and black Chevy pick-up drive over a warning sign. The vehicle was spotted and driver identified. The driver admitted to accidentally striking the sign while backing out of a parking stall. Report closed.

Feb. 10

4:30 p.m., library parking lot, unauthorized use of parking permit. An anonymous caller said a student was using a faculty parking permit. Investigation revealed it to be so. The student was referred to student life.

Waverly Police

Feb. 6

Abbylee Jean Rod, 19, and Jenna Wesley Anderson, 19, both of Waverly, were arrested for first-offense underage possession of alcohol. Subsequent to the arrests, police responded at 12:56 a.m. to a report of a loud party with minors drinking in the 500 block of 17th Street.

Feb. 11

Marc William Numedahl, 20, Waverly, was arrested and charged with underage possession of alcohol. The arrest followed a routine bar check of Big Ben's Pour House on East Bremer Avenue by police at 11:08 p.m.

Magistrate

Jaylene Elizabeth Aarhus, 21, Waverly, pleaded guilty to supplying alcohol to minors; \$500 fine.

Sarah Lynn Jones, 20, Waverly, pleaded guilty to underage possession of alcohol; placed on self-probation for one year.

Stephanie Ann Howe, 19, Waverly, pleaded guilty to underage possession of alcohol; placed on self-probation for one year.

Brooke Marie Davis, 19, Waverly, pleaded guilty to underage possession of alcohol; placed on self-probation for one year.

Jeffrey James Rierison, 22, Waverly, pleaded guilty to public intoxication; \$50 fine.

State of Iowa v.

Disposed cases

Leiana Jo Kaaihue, 20, Waverly, guilty of first-offense operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated; sentenced to serve 24 hours of community service.

On-campus recycling program to begin in fall

By LAURA GREVAS
Staff Writer

A nearly \$4,000 recycling program will be implemented by this fall as a joint effort between Student Senate and Environmental Activists Reaching Toward Humanity (E.A.R.T.H.).

Representatives from both groups met with maintenance Tuesday to confirm purchasing Rubbermaid plastic bins. Two bins offer sections for paper, plastic, glass and tin and will be placed on the street side of Centennial Hall, Clinton Hall, The Manors, Knight's Village and Founders Hall. It is undecided whether the wooden bins in front of The Residence will be replaced with plastic ones.

"It's (institutionalized recycling on campus) been an ongoing effort since I was a freshman ... I'm glad it will be something that I can leave behind," sen-

ior Ann Calhoun, E.A.R.T.H. president, said.

Waverly requires a central location for recycling pick-up, but Tim Liddle from Corner Redemption and Recycling in Plainfield has agreed to pick up the bins at individual locations around campus for \$20 a month.

Don Johnson, a member of maintenance for Grossmann Hall and The Residence (The Res), currently collects recycling from The Res, Grossmann and Lohe Hall. It is undecided if he will continue taking it to the Waverly Recycling Center. The proposed recycling project is not built into the maintenance budget, so financing issues are under consideration as well, Calhoun said.

An earlier idea was to build recycling bins outside each residence hall similar to those near The Res, but Senate and E.A.R.T.H. decided to go with more durable and weather resistant bins, Calhoun said.

E.A.R.T.H. researched recycling efforts of various Wartburg-sized colleges and found many had institutionalized programs. Senate agreed to assist with an on-campus recycling plan and formed a recycling/environmental subcommittee in September. Supporters met with President Jack R. Ohle in early February and will confirm plans with him in coming weeks.

Past on-campus recycling efforts have been unsuccessful due to fire hazards posed by bins, student misuse of bins and difficulties coordinating efforts with maintenance.

"It (the bins) makes students put forward a little extra effort to do something good," Calhoun said. "A simple plan would be to have a crate or extra box and when you go to take out your trash, take out recycling at the same time."

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Web traffic increases to Wartburg home page after redesign

By ALLISON SCHMIDT
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Traffic on the Wartburg Web site has skyrocketed in recent months, jumping to an average of approximately 55,000 unique visitors per month, an increase of about 15,000 to 20,000 visitors.

Web site traffic is tracked based on IP addresses, a unique number that identifies every computer connected to the Internet. For informational purposes, ITS counts each unique IP address that visits the Web site as a "unique visitor." Web developer and manager Chris Knudson '01 said the figures are not absolute because more than one person could be visiting the site from the same computer.

Knudson said this increase is probably due to a combination between the redesign of the Web site and new marketing strategies. The site was redesigned and officially released after winter break last spring, and Web site use increased significantly in the months since.

According to Knudson, integration between Information Technology Services (ITS) and communication and marketing has helped to drive more people to the Web site, especial-

ly through the monthly alumni e-newsletter Knightline and other campus publications which refer readers to the site for additional information and features.

"Before it was a brochure-ware Web site—an exact double of a printed publication," Knudson said. "Now the Web site offers very different information and even multimedia. We have a very much more interactive site."

Many interactive features are aimed at prospective students since they are considered to be the most frequent visitors to the site. These features include a commercial advertising the college and an interactive "Ask Wartburg" question and answer feature.

The recent spike in Web site visitors has been a part of a five-year trend in which the number of unique visitors has increased by about 40,000 per month.

Knudson has even been contacted by other colleges about the Web site's success.

"They see the success we're having, and they want to know how we're doing this. The things we're doing are working, and we're really happy to see the results," he said.

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By GARY WIPPERMAN
Director of Information Technology Services

WWW stands for World Wide Web, right? As of last week, it could stand for "Working Wireless at Wartburg." Wireless Internet access has officially arrived on campus. While some unofficial wireless access has occurred, the first three access points installed by Information Technology Services (ITS) are now up and running. One access point covers part of the student center first floor, including the Den and the lobby between the information desk and the lyceum. A second access point covers the Konditorei and the third is in Cardinal Commons. ITS will be installing more access points as time and budget allow. The names on all ITS-installed access points will begin with WC_AP to make them readily identifiable. System requirements and a downloadable certificate needed can be found by clicking on the Network Access link on the ITS Web page at www.wartburg.edu/its.

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Campus security protects Wartburg community

By MITCH COFFMAN
Staff Writer

The popular television images of the police range from the intense, realistic squad of the hit show "NYPD Blue," all the way to Eddie Murphy's funny character in "Beverly Hills Cop."

Wartburg's campus security isn't like either of those, but it serves a vital role in the campus community of more than 2,000 students, faculty and staff members. When so many individuals are together from September through May, campus security and safety officials are prepared to deal with various issues and conflicts.

Wartburg's security force consists of four full-time officers, five part-time officers who work a regular schedule and two or three, depending on the year, part timers on call to assist in special events or cover for illness, vacation, etc.

Three students work on staff with duties including office administrative work. Two of them, on occasion, even assist officers at night. Security is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, year-round with at least one officer on duty.

Duties involved with security vary, but generally crimes dealt with aren't serious, John Myers III, director of campus security and safety, said. The office receives about 130 crime reports a year. Most reports involve crimes such as vandalism, theft and disorderly conduct, Myers said.

"Our most serious would probably be burglary," Myers said. "We have investigated simple assaults. Rapes we get the police involved right away if the victim requests such. Fortunately, no murders (have occurred) on campus, at least in the past 30 years, and probably never."

From 2001 to 2003, an average of 12 burglaries were reported each year. Liquor-related offenses, including illegal possession and underage drinking, averaged 43 per year.

Security personnel perform a lot of routine but important tasks, Myers noted. They lock and unlock buildings, unlock rooms when resident assistants are not available, jump-start vehicles and assist with repairing flat tires.

In addition, Myers said, his department responds to building mechanical complaints and contacts the appropriate custodian to resolve the problem, transports students to a health clinic or hospital if needed and escorts students during dark hours.

Currently a van is the only vehicle operated by security, but the department hopes to get other modes of transportation soon.

"We are looking at getting a bicycle and some type of off-road vehicle such as a golf cart would be nice. For now, though, it is the van and shoe leather," Myers said.

Security officers do not carry weapons of any kind and only have citizen arrest powers.

"We can interview students. We do not interrogate, but there is nothing that would



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ALL IN A DAY'S WORK—Campus security officer Thomas Klemensen prepares for his rounds of the campus streets and parking lots Sunday, one of the many jobs campus security officers perform in a given day.

prevent us from conducting limited interrogations," Myers said.

According to Myers, four occasions require the Waverly Police Department involvement: when students request police action, when an offender is not a student, when the crime leads off campus or when something of value is stolen and believed to have been taken off campus.

Qualifications to become a security offi-

cer for Wartburg are pretty specific, Myers said. When someone becomes a member of the department, the officer is trained in first aid, CPR and must become qualified to operate a defibrillator, a device producing a brief electric shock to restore a normal heartbeat in extreme cases.

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CVEA advertises with post-its stuck around campus

By NATHAN COUNTRYMAN
Assistant News Editor

Post-it notes have been popping up in several unusual locations on campus, promoting the Cedar Valley Entertainment Authority (CVEA) Web site. Those post-its, however, might be advertising something students at Waverly might want to take a closer look at.

The CVEA, according to its Web site, is an organization that was "developed in order to share some of the unique cultural experiences that Waterloo, Cedar Falls, Waverly and surrounding areas have to offer."

Matthew Hundley, CVEA adviser and Wartburg adjunct professor, said most of the contribution for the CVEA comes from student volunteers from Wartburg and other schools in the area and members of the Wartburg

College e-business practicum class. According to Hundley, the CVEA was "designed for students by students" to get people out into the surrounding communities.

The idea to utilize post-it notes to advertise the Web site to the Wartburg community actually came from members of the class as part of an assignment.

"The class was to utilize guerrilla marketing, or advertising on a restricted budget, to advertise the Web site to the Wartburg community," Hundley said. "They suggested placing post-it notes up to direct people to the Web site by placing them in unusual places without disrupting property. It was a very unique idea."

"The post-it note was a great advertising strategy," senior Jill Hackman, a CVEA and former e-business practicum class member, said. "It's something new and people are asking questions about it. When they (viewers)

put more thought into an advertisement, they are more likely to remember it."

The CVEA isn't a creation of just one semester's work, however.

"CVEA has existed for five years, in one form or another," Hundley said. "It's good for students to have a chance to shape the way people interact with the site. Students get a firsthand chance to contribute to the site's content and design, and it keeps the site changing."

"It's a great place to go if you want to know what's happening in the area," senior Holly Hruska said. "I just wish more people knew about it."

To visit the CVEA Web site, students should go to <http://www.cvea.info>.

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CONCENTRATION—Freshman Ramiro Sanchez, front, makes his final moves before winning the Clinton/Founders Halls poker tournament Sunday. Sandra Hansen, Founders resident hall director, back, and freshman Jake Helvey were among the attendees.

CAMPUS BRIEFS

FREE SHOWING OF THE LARAMIE PROJECT

"The Laramie Project" will be shown for free at 7 p.m. March 15 in the lyceum as part of the five-event focus on "Decisions about Difference: Considering Issues of Faith and Sexuality." For more information contact The Rev. Larry Trachte at Ext. 8217 or Dr. Penni Pier at Ext. 8256.

CORPORATION EDUCATION DAY IS TUESDAY

Corporation Education Day will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday in Neumann Auditorium. A short video will precede panel comments from Michael J. Mack, vice president and treasurer, Deere and Company; Jon D. Volkert, John Deere Credit; and Lynn F. White, vice president of Global Ag Services. For more information contact Gloria Campbell at Ext. 8229 or Gloria.Campbell@wartburg.edu.

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Creative service trip fund raising

By SARA PHILLIPS
Staff Writer

Did you get your picture taken with President Jack Ohle dressed up as Santa Claus? Or get invited to a "non event?" Did you give some of your old junk away to someone who asked for it? If so, then you donated to a Wartburg service trip.

More than 100 Wartburg students have been preparing for months to venture out across the nation to spend their Winter Break helping and serving those in need.

A lot of fundraising goes into a service trip, and Wartburg students have found creative ways to make money to fund their trips.

The Delaware trip participants started raising money

before Christmas by photographing students with President Ohle in a Santa suit. They also mailed out letters for donations, but they weren't normal donation letters. They sent out invitations to a "non event." For example, they invited some lucky guests to attend a "Just Keep on Swimming" marathon 3:45 a.m. March 5 at the North Pole.

Sound like anyone is going to show? Probably not, but that is what they wanted, a donation for an event that didn't really exist.

"The idea was to get people to register, not to attend and to secure their non-attendance with a donation," senior Wyatt Sheeder said. "We thought that would be a fun and different way to ask for donations."

Getting rid of your old junk is always great, especially when someone actually wants it. Participants of the Delaware trip are taking your junk off your hands and selling it back to others, who may think that "one man's junk is another man's treasure."

The Student Alumni Council members are also hoping that the junk idea is true. They are cleaning out their dorm rooms, closets, garages and basements to find belongings to sell at their garage sale to raise money for their trip to Florida.

T-shirts are a standard when it comes to raising money for a cause, and college students love T-shirts. Some groups that have used this tactic include those traveling to Delaware, Kentucky and Seattle.

College students also love food, especially pizza. One group going to Florida sold pizza coupon cards from Ziggy's Dominos Pizza. The San Antonio group sold Godfather's Pizza gift certificates for which you got two pizzas for the price of one and free breadsticks. They also sold Krispy Kreme doughnuts for \$6 a dozen.

Empty cans may be scarce around campus because Delaware and Atlanta groups have collected them, along with any spare coins that their fellow Wartburg students were willing to donate. And in the Hub area, the Seattle group held a silent auction.

The Lilly Grant, the service trip fast and the trip participation fee also helped the various trips with their fund-raising

goals. The Minneapolis trip was fortunate enough to have these cover most of their expenses since their location is one of the closest.

Some groups also looked to their hometowns for donations. The Seattle and Kentucky groups did this by writing letters to their hometown churches.

The Florida and San Antonio groups also sent out request letters to different people and organizations in their hometowns.

The hard work has paid off for those departing next week. They found fun and creative ways to pay for their trips and will be rewarded with the satisfaction and fulfillment of devoting their week to serving others.

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107 students to travel throughout the U.S.

A majority of students listed on Wartburg service trip rosters said they are going for the service aspect of the experience.

Of 62 students who responded to a poll conducted this week by a journalism class, 74 percent said their desire to help people and do overall service in the communities were the reasons they chose to spend their break on a service trip.

This year's destinations include San Antonio, Atlanta, Delaware, Kentucky, Seattle, Minneapolis and Tampa.

Freshman Shantel Leary said she is planning her first trip because she wants to take time away from herself.

"Each day I am so consumed with 'me, me, me,' and instead of focusing on 'me' over spring break, as most do, I wanted to do good for others...," Leary said.

Sophomore Jill Seeba also wants to use the break to focus on others. "I've never been on a trip like this before and want to experience extreme poverty and get out of my comfort zone by learning what it means to truly serve," Seeba said.

Junior Christina Hansen said she feels "it is God's call to us in the world to serve others and use the resources and gifts we have to improve the lives of others."

"I see it as a way to express my

Christian convictions and I really enjoy serving others," added senior Conor Simcox.

For sophomore Tom Parks, service is serving the Lord through serving others. "I find purpose in mission more than service," Parks said. "So my personal reasons are faith-based."

Other reasons, besides service, why a Wartburg student would go on a service trip were wanting to meet new people, get away from Iowa for a week, have fun and do something different.

Sophomore Janel Dvorak considers service trips a worthwhile opportunity: "I hope to learn a lot about many things and experience something I have never done before."

Similarly, freshman Heidi Hanson said: "It's a great opportunity to get out of Iowa and meet new people."

International student Kaneko Katsuhisa, a junior from Japan, said she is going because she wants to experience another state in the U.S. "I'm excited to be going to another place," she said.

Sophomore Veronica Maravi said the opportunity was too good to miss and listed three reasons for going: fun, service and sightseeing: "...for fun because it is a break from studies, a chance to meet new

people and simply experience something different as well as a great way to enjoy the free week; for service because we will be working together for a good cause that will be helpful to society...and because visiting a different city (Tampa) is always interesting and eye-opening."

Freshman Ivan Ivanov also expects to have fun on his trip to Tampa. "I want to travel around the U.S. and have as much fun as I can while helping others as well," he said.

Although she grew up on service trips with her church, sophomore Kali Goblirsch added this dimension to a Wartburg trip: "Participants only need to pay \$100, so it is an incredibly cheap way to see another part of the country and experience it in a more intimate way than tourists are able to."

Going on the only trip to the northeastern part of the United States, junior Amy Kielblock said she is "excited to learn about the environment and see the sights of Delaware and our day trip to Philadelphia."

For 45 of the respondents (72 percent), this will be their first service trip. Many have heard from friends about the positive impacts from the trips and say that is a reason for going.

"I have heard others talk about their lives being changed by trips like these. I have a heart for service, even if it's tasks like restoring trails," sophomore Lisa Nielson said about her upcoming first trip.

But for senior Jack Kampf, this will be his third trip because he had good experiences with it in the past. Junior Laura Duvant called her previous trip "a blast."

Of the 62 people who responded to the survey, 50 were women, 25 juniors and 22 sophomores. Only three freshmen were on the list.

The highest number of enrolled majors at Wartburg also reflected the most service trip participants: communication arts (16), business (12), biology (8) and elementary education (7).

The poll was conducted by students in Lil Junas' Reporting for Print Media class (CA 305). Of 107 names on the service trip list this year, 62 responded (58 percent) to questions indicating what kind of students go on service trips.

Contributing to this survey: Mike Brost, Tony Burbach, Jeff Carr, Aaron Hagen, Vern Klabassa, Sara Phillips, Kristin Oelmann, Andrew Sharp and Ashley Weets



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Service projects give back to community

By LAURA GREVAS
Staff Writer

While some may associate the phrase "community service" with orange uniforms and jail time, students living in The Residence serve others without involving the Waverly Police. This is because groups living in each of the 12 suites in The Residence (The Res) must participate in a service project throughout the year.

"I think service is really important, especially with our mission statement," senate housing subcommittee chair Amanda Pullin said. "The people of Waverly are so friendly to us, and because we get so much we should always try to give back."

An informational session about living in the Res will be held Wednesday at 6p.m. in WBC Room 214. According to Pete Armstrong, director of residential life, "there we are going to highlight exemplary projects so people can look at what's worked in the past and get ideas."

Those interested in applying should gather eight people and write a proposal describing their project and goals. Faculty, staff, current group advisors and former Res residents review applications and the 12 best are selected. Armstrong believes that some



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PROJECT ROUND-UP—Junior Laura Holzrichter, senior Stephanie Egts, and juniors Lacey Ebert and Allison Heille speak to junior high students at Trinity United Methodist Church.

students may do service projects reluctantly to live in the Res, but that generally "they're motivated by their own desire to serve others."

Laura Holzrichter, junior, whose group works with high school and junior high youth at Trinity United Methodist Church, agrees. "We enjoy it," she said. "We plan on doing it next year

and none of us are living in the Res."

Every Wednesday, they eat dinner and do Bible studies with the youth. Holzrichter added that parents often join them. "It's a whole family night kind of atmosphere," she said.

Jade Holst and her group are in their second year of teaching "College 101." For their project,

they talk to area high school students about things they wish they would have known before going to college. Recently, they spoke to the junior and senior classes at Waterloo West High School.

Unlike Holst's group, students are not always able to live in the Res for a second year. "They have to show what they accomplished and how they will build on it,"

Armstrong said.

Junior John Deibner-Hanson and his roommates do a different fund-raising project each month, and donate the proceeds to charities. "When you apply for a service project you know that you are going to have responsible people living around you," he said.

When plans for his group's service project fell through, Kyle Morse, sophomore, and his roommates started a series of self-described "odds and ends" community services.

Morse's roommate Ryan Oelmann, a senior, visits handicapped adults every week while other roommates tutor students in science and economics. Morse took an environmental approach, helping plant 250 trees outside of Tripoli.

"Volunteering was positive for me as well as the people I worked for. I left with a head full of knowledge, and I left behind an employer with a huge smile because he didn't have to waste any money on my hourly salary."

Pullin trusts that the commitment to service will be lifelong for students. "The fact that we do it now, as young adults (means) we'll continue to do it through the rest of our lives," she said.

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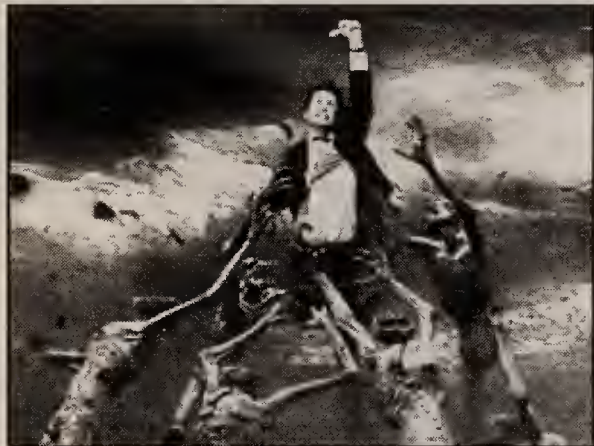


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CONSTANTINE

Starring
Keanu Reeves, Rachel Weisz, Peter Stormare

Director
Francis Lawrence

By BRYAN CLARK
Movie Reviewer

Question: what is the inevitable by-product created when a beloved cult comic book property is translated to the silver screen? Answer: angry nerds. Problem is, the nerds always get angry before the movie is even made. The last time one of Alan Moore's brilliant comics was given film treatment, we wound up with the steaming load of celluloid fertilizer that is "League of Extraordinary Gentlemen." However, the nerds can now untwist their collective panties. "Constantine" is an extremely entertaining movie.

John Constantine (Reeves) is a man with a gift. He's been given a second chance at a life that he's squandered by developing lung cancer through chain smoking. Now he's trying to redeem himself in the eyes of God by fighting on

the side of good in the struggle between heaven and hell.

When demons start popping up where they shouldn't belong, Constantine realizes the balance is about to be broken. He and Detective Angela Dodson (Rachel Weisz), whose sister was driven to suicide by demons, find themselves in a race to stop Mammon, the son of Satan, from rising to Earth to destroy the human race.

Constantine's origins have been transplanted from England to California, and the character has been turned into more of an action hero than in the comics punching demons and expertly using guns. Originally, he's a snarky magician who's a lousy shot and must rely solely on brain power to defeat the demons. While this will doubtlessly annoy hardcore "Hellblazer" fans, it's not so overplayed that it becomes silly. For once, Keanu Reeves' lack of ability to project

emotion is a blessing, keeping the character low-key enough to prevent excessive scenery chewing.

The highlight of the movie is Peter Stormare's performance as Satan. He plays the Prince of Darkness not as a super-slick crime boss, but as a somewhat silly, at times almost likeable old uncle who's gone a bit 'round the bend and could turn very, very scary at any moment.

"Constantine," while clearly a contemporary action/fantasy flick, has an air of the old Catholic horror genre ("Exorcist," "The Sentinel") about it. It does a commendable job of entertaining, and at the same time gives the audience some food for thought in the themes of sacrifice and redemption. It's no "Hellboy," but "Constantine" definitely deserves a hearty recommendation.

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DING, DONG, DING—Senior Erin Manson performs during the third annual Chapel and Handbell Choir concert Sunday in the chapel.

Blogs hit campus

By SAM HUEY
Staff Writer

A new form of electronic communication has recently been creeping its way into the Wartburg e-community.

Known as "blogging" it has been around since 1997 but seems to have become more popular nationwide in the last two years. A Web log, or "blog," is an online bulletin board or journal allowing people to share thoughts and opinions.

Blogs can range anywhere from intellectual science postings to opinions about the most recent episode of "American Idol."

Two separate blogs are currently operating on campus. The radio production class, taught by communication arts lecturer Tonya McMillion, has launched a blog this term to help students realize communications are changing with new technology. WARTblog also was added during Fall Term by Student Senate as a way to tell students what is new in Senate as well as offer an opportunity for student feedback.

McMillion called the present shift in communications a "media evolution." Some time in the near future, she said, "it is very possible that people working in radio will not only need to understand the technology in the studio but also on the Internet."

Freshman Ryan Hahn, a radio production student, said he uses the blogging site

as an online forum and replacement for meeting in groups for projects. The site features pictures of the students which, like the rest of the blog, are posted and updated by each student.

"It takes a little bit to learn it, but once you get it, it's just as easy as e-mailing," Hahn said.

Senior Ben Parks, Senate president, finds WARTblog helpful. Senate uses it to help communicate things not necessarily discussed at Senate meetings, to make resolutions more readily available or to get feedback on "hot issues."

Senior Emily Friedman said the executive committee and committee chairs write main entries on the site but also can edit comments by students. Friedman said now the site is only used for Senate business but may expand in the future.

Parks said WARTblog has the ability "to track how many people view it each day, what entries they've looked at and if they were referred here by a particular site."

"This is one of the best ways for us to know exactly what they are thinking and is a great community builder." Senate executives have the ability to edit comments should the need arise.

Visit the Senate blog at <http://wartburgsenate.blogs.com> or the radio production blog is at <http://radioproduction.typepad.com>.

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Don Juhl to say goodbye after 39 years in dining services

By MATT POPOWSKI
Staff Writer

Thirty-nine years ago, Don Juhl was hired as a Wartburg supervising chef in food services. He was promoted to assistant director after a year and, two years later, became the director.

He now plans to retire at the end of the summer and will leave with many memories.

"Friendships developed over the years through the sense of community that exists at Wartburg have made it a very positive experience," Juhl said. "The biggest perks are the enthusiasm and appreciation expressed by college-aged students."

Waverly native Juhl has been active as student union and conference director for 15 years, but resigned from both in 2004.

Juhl recalled positive food services changes since he began. It once allowed one student board plan for all, serving hours were more limited and one main dish was offered at each meal instead of the current seven with a vegetarian entrée.

Multiple board plans, extended serving

hours, points programs, meal transfers, fasts for charity and candlelight dinners have all been implemented under Juhl.

He said the greatest achievement was being rated No. 1 nationally in the late 80s by management consultant Paul Fairbrook of Paul Fairbrook Associates, based in California, which specializes in college and university food services. It still uses Wartburg's dining services as a model.

Juhl said his successor will face new challenges like organic diets, education on healthy eating, missed meal options, vending in residence halls, off-campus dining options and dining gift cards.

Wartburg's alcohol license also introduces new possibilities. An a la carte option could provide upgrades such as steak or cappuccino at an additional cost.

The National Association of College and University Food Services (NACUFS) will assist in finding a new director. Consultants with NACUFS will assess where Wartburg's dining services stand and how it can advance. Juhl said several qualified staff members may be potential candidates for the job.

In retirement, Juhl plans to spend time with family and hobbies. He might work part-time somewhere and has received



Photo contributed by Don Juhl

TRIMMING THE TREE—Paul McClain, director of Wartburg dining services, left, Don Juhl, center, and Les Reader, supervising chefs, decorate a tree of shrimp and olives for the Waverly community medical staff Christmas party in the former Wartburg Castle Room in 1967, a year after he started in dining services.

several offers to do consulting work.

Juhl will be recognized at a ceremony honoring retirees and years of service April 14 in Neumann Auditorium. He will also

be honored at a faculty/staff dinner the following evening.

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Threepeat: Women dominate conference, men share title with Loras

By ANDREW DRYSDALE
Sports Writer

Three years, three titles.

When it comes to indoor track and field, Wartburg College is getting used to winning. The Knights walked away from the conference meet at Luther with an outright title for the women and a co-championship with Loras College for the men.

The women claimed their title by a one-sided point margin of 191.5 to 143 for Loras.

Senior Missy Buttry was named the women's Most Valuable Athlete as she again claimed titles in the 800m and the mile as well as anchoring the distance medley relay to victory. In the 800, Buttry ran a forum record 2:15.96, while freshman Heidi Porter took second in 2:19.83.

Buttry's 4:46.06 in the mile qualified her for nationals, coming out of the slow heat where she had to run by herself, lapping the field before the fourth lap.

In the fast heat freshman Sara Eppeley showed off her kick running 5:21.08 for third place while senior Beth Neal placed fourth in 5:24.06.

Buttry's anchor leg of the distance medley relay secured the Knights a place at nationals in that event, and crushed the forum record previously held by Wartburg by seven seconds as they broke the tape in 11:51.61.

Sophomore Bridget Burns had a strong meet as well winning the 200m and 400m with times of 25.70 and 57.44 respectively, both meet and forum records. She also took home second in the long jump with a leap of 17'-4" just ahead of sophomore teammate Lucy Joseph who placed fourth with a jump of 16'-11.25".

Joseph also took second in the 55m hurdles with a time of 8.59. In the triple jump senior Annie Olson came up big, placing third with a jump of 35'-4.5", almost the same distance that sophomore

Maggie McGrew threw the shot to take second place in that event.

Freshman Jessica Bates set meet and forum records in the weight toss with a throw of 51'-5" while sophomore Misty Klein claimed third with her throw of 48'-7.25".

Senior Lindsay Albertsen closed out her indoor career with a fourth-place finish in the pole vault. Albertsen cleared 10' in a close battle between her and two Central vaulters.

Central's Mackenzie Lauman had to run a meet record to beat the Wartburg threesome of Eppeley, junior Natalie Whitcher and Neal in the 1000m run. Eppeley's time of 3:05.34 also bettered the old meet record and gave her a solid sec-

ond place. Whitcher ran 3:08.47 for third place and Neal crossed the line in 3:09.63 for fourth.

The 4x200m relay took second in 1:45.96 and sophomore Steph Arey ran away from the field in the 600, finishing in 1:37.91 en route to setting both forum and meet records.

Sophomore Jill Wagaman gave Central's distance standout Beth Cunningham a run for her money in the 3000m run, pushing Cunningham from a distance most of the race before finishing second in 10:28.89.

Senior Brooke Ferguson led the Knights in the 5000m run taking fifth in 18:44.63.

The mens team had a bigger battle than the women's team did to tie with Loras for the team title.

The men faced an uphill battle the whole way, but persevered, scoring points where they weren't expected and winning big races when they absolutely had to finishing with 157, enough to tie Loras and beat Central by one. Senior Josh Moen gave the final push that propelled the men to victory in the 3000-meter run, coming out of the slow heat and winning in a meet record, forum record and school record 8:31.36. Moen ran by himself the entire race pushed by the throngs of cheering teammates. Sophomores Patrick Johnson and Kevin Balster cemented Moen's performance in the second heat placing fourth and sixth, giving the Knights their first lead in the second-to-last event of the meet.

In the 4x400m relay, the Knights needed to either place first or second, or finish one place behind Loras to claim the title outright; unfortunately Simpson and Luther had other ideas. The Knights only managed to claim fifth behind winner Central, runner-up Loras, and the Storm and Norse. The men received a break as Simpson was disqualified and the Knights moved up to fourth place, tying Loras for the title.

Junior Josh Hauser had another impressive performance as he competed and placed in the 200m dash, 400m dash, 4x400, 4x200 and the long jump. Hauser won the 200m in a forum record 22.22, finished third in the 400m with a 50.20, ran the lead leg of the first place 4x200 meter relay and the lead leg of the 4x400 meter relay. To cap it off, he finished third in the long jump with a leap of 22'-3". Hauser won the Most Valuable Athlete award for the weekend as he helped keep the Knights in hunt for a title.

Junior Phil Barnett threw 51' 6.5" in the weight toss to earn third-place points, while the men's distance medley relay managed a runner-up performance to a hard-charging Loras team with a time of 10:22.75.

Junior Noah Wendland and senior Sean Hart took care of business in the 800m as Wendland was crowned conference champion with a time of 1:57.15 and Hart took third in 1:58.02. Junior Scott Cross came away with a win in the 1000m run and in the process set a new conference meet record of 2:33.36. In the final lap Gary Pothoven of Central closed quickly, but Cross was able to hold him off with a lean at the tape. Junior Keith Solverson, the former record holder, was third in 2:35.55.

Solverson got his title earlier in the day though, when he came away with a victory over Central's Bryan George in the mile. Solverson's 4:20.41 was a forum record and was just enough to beat George who ran a 4:21.72. Wendland and freshman Andy Hodge were third and fourth, running times of 4:24.28 and 4:27.03, respectively.

The 5000m run was a thriller as well with Balster taking on Loras distance stars Jason Fogel and Ben Grant. Balster went on a surge at the two-mile mark attempting to gap and break the two Duhawks early, but it didn't work quite as planned. Fogel was able to track down Balster and eventually pass him, but the lead was too much for Grant, and Balster was able to cross the line in second with a time of 15:20.73. Junior Ben Carlson gapped the rest of the field and followed Balster in fourth with a 15:45 while sophomore Cody Solverson was fifth in 16:06.22.

The Knights now prep for the NCAA Indoor Championships, hosted March 11 and 12 by Illinois-Wesleyan University in Bloomington, Ill.

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MVA—Junior Josh Hauser hold his Most Valuable Athlete trophy after the Iowa Conference indoor track meet Saturday.

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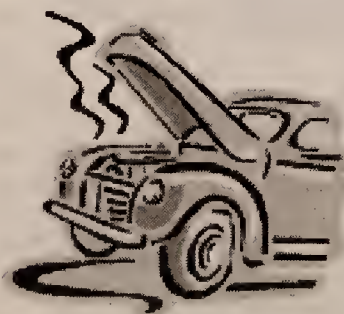
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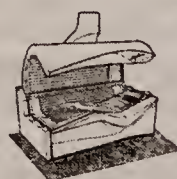


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National Defense



Carter brothers defend title, serve country



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IN CONTROL— Junior Akeem Carter drives his opponent to the mat in the finals of the national tournament last season. He will defend his title this weekend at St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minn.

By NICK PETAROS
Sports Editor

As the United States' mission in Iraq enters its third year, there remain few Americans whose lives haven't been affected by the war. Wartburg wrestling's 197-pound defending national champion Akeem Carter is among those who have seen their lives change. On Jan. 30, Akeem's brother and friend, Kenyatta, departed for his second tour of duty in Iraq.

While Akeem prepares to defend his national title in Northfield, Minn. Saturday, his brother remains in his prayers.

While large in numbers, the Carter family remains tightly knit. In the Carter household, it was always survival of the fittest. Akeem was the fourth of eight siblings.

Since Kenyatta is one year older than Akeem, the two brothers shared a lot of similar interests. The main thing they had in common was wrestling. Akeem started organized wrestling in fifth grade when he transferred to St. Mary's elementary school in Waterloo. Since then, the sport has been a consistent part of his life.

"I never thought I was going to be a national champ or state champion," Akeem said. "I was just doing it because I was kind of a hyper active kid and we had

a big family. Mom wanted to keep everyone active in the house."

During Akeem's eighth grade year, he thought about switching sports to basketball; however, Kenyatta had other ideas.

"He (Kenyatta) was good in wrestling and he said he was going to beat me up if I didn't go out for wrestling," Akeem said.

Despite Akeem's decision to continue wrestling, Kenyatta showed him the meaning of tough love.

"When he put me in the wrestling room, he was like, 'There's going to be no chumps in this room.' He started pushing me and punching me," Akeem said. "He kept pushing me and wanted to see me explode with more ability, and I did. He brought out the true potential in me."

At Waterloo West High School, the Carter brothers were a dynamic duo. Kenyatta wrestled in the 160-pound weight class with Akeem following him at 171.

"My brother wrestling a weight under me was kind of a motivational thing," Akeem said. "It got me ready mentally for big things like finals matches ... It's the simple fact

that you've got extra pressure because people expect you to go out there and do the same thing he does."

The Carter brothers captured state titles in 2001. During his senior year, Akeem added his second state title in addition to a high school national title.

Upon graduation, Akeem told Kenyatta about the chance to wrestle for the Army at the Olympic training center. During Akeem's senior year of high school, Kenyatta enlisted in the Army and continued wrestling. Akeem planned to join Kenyatta in the army after he graduated, but he didn't pass the Army placement test (ASVAB) on his first attempt.

"I was going to go in for the second (ASVAB test), but my brother called me and said don't bother," Akeem said. "He knew where my potential was. He knew if I went to the Army and went through the same stuff that he went through, that I probably would have lost focus and I wouldn't be here."

With the Army out of the picture, Akeem was unsure of what to do next. It was through his friend and current tutor Terri Dutcher that he was introduced to Wartburg College.

"I hadn't even heard about Wartburg and I lived in Waterloo. She introduced me to the school and coaches, and I liked what I saw," Akeem said.

In spring of his freshman year, Akeem's focus began to shift from academics and wrestling as he heard the news that his brother would soon be heading to Iraq.

"Things started turning around and it became more of him getting ready for the war instead of wrestling," Akeem said.

Shortly after finding out that his brother was leaving, Akeem started skipping classes and struggled through wrestling practice. Akeem's relationship with his mother initially became worse.

"Mom was getting stressed out about (the war)," Carter said. "She was putting the pressure on me because I'm the one who persuaded Kenyatta to go to the Army. It was just an emotional battle."

Last year, Akeem was able to regroup and put together an amazing season of wrestling. Despite starting the year injured and unranked, Carter stayed focused and won both the individual and team NCAA Div. III national title.

This season, Kenyatta returned from the Army and was able to watch Akeem wrestle for the first time in over two years as

Wartburg defeated No. 3-ranked Luther College on Jan. 15. In that meet, Akeem earned an 11-1 major decision over Luther's Eric Butler. Kenyatta also stopped by the Wartburg wrestling room and delivered an inspirational speech to Akeem and his teammates.

"He talked about his group in the army. Some of them are wrestlers. And how they've seen rocket launchers being thrown across them and land mines and friends getting injured," Akeem said.

Akeem also has yet to hear any positive stories from his brother's first term of duty.

"He hasn't told me about any good things," Akeem said. "The stories he told me the media wouldn't even show. He never told me anything too positive."

As Kenyatta begins his second tour of duty in Iraq, Akeem and his family remain strong in their faith and continue to pray for his safe return.

"It's like God tells me that everything is going to be all right and I'm not going to fear no death. I'm not going to fear; no what-ifs," Akeem said. "He's going to come out all right because I pray for him. My family prays for him every day and I'm confident that everything is going to be all right, everything is going to be all right. But it's just still stressful not having him around."

While Kenyatta's first departure may have temporarily caused tension within the Carter family, his second term of duty has strengthened family bonds.

"Everybody in our family is closer now," Akeem said. "Your family is all you have. Your family is always going to love you for who you are. Kenyatta's absence makes us religiously stronger at the same time because we're always praying for him."

Anxiously awaiting his brother's return, Akeem has big plans for the future.

"When he gets out, me and him are going to do some big things together," Akeem said. "That's what I know. I'm not sure what, but we both have goal-oriented minds and we're on the same page."

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PAYING TRIBUTE— Last fall Akeem Carter performed a beat bop rendition of the National Anthem at Wartburg's Kastle Kapers to honor American soldiers.

Women end season in championship tilt

By AARON HAGEN
Sports Writer

When the Wartburg women's basketball team started out this year, they wanted to achieve one goal: to finish on top of the Iowa Conference. This week, the Knights fell just seven points short of that goal, losing to Simpson 74-62 in the finals.

However, after Friday's semifinal upset over No. 7-ranked Buena Vista the week was hardly a failure. The Knights' win snapped Buena Vista's 34-game home win streak along with their current 23-game win streak.

In the conference championship Saturday night, neither team could gain a large advantage in the first half. Wartburg led by as many as five points but held just a one-point lead going into halftime. The second half was more of the same, and the lead went back and forth until Simpson took control with seven minutes left. A layup by sophomore Laura Pirkel with a minute and a half left brought Wartburg to within three, but the Storm held on for a 69-62 win.

"I thought (Saturday) was a sloppy game," head coach Monica Severson said. "But when you play three games in a week, it happens. Both teams shot the ball well, but we out rebounded them by a substantial margin."

Senior Amanda Berner finished with 17 points, 20 rebounds and five blocked shots. Freshman Elizabeth Campbell and Casey Huber each finished with 11 points.

The Knights out-rebounded the Storm 51-34 but lost the free throw

battle. Wartburg made just five out of nine, while Simpson made 20 of 33.

Friday presented an intriguing match-up for the Knights. Just six days earlier, Wartburg suffered a 15-point defeat at the hands of the Beavers. But this was a new game. Wartburg opened the game by shutting-out the Beavers for nearly eight minutes, taking a 21-0 lead. The Knights never trailed throughout the entire game, as Buena Vista was only able to get within six points, and Wartburg went on to a 74-62 win.

Berner again had a double-double with 24 points and 13 rebounds. Campbell scored 15, while sophomore Natalie Tarkett had 12 points.

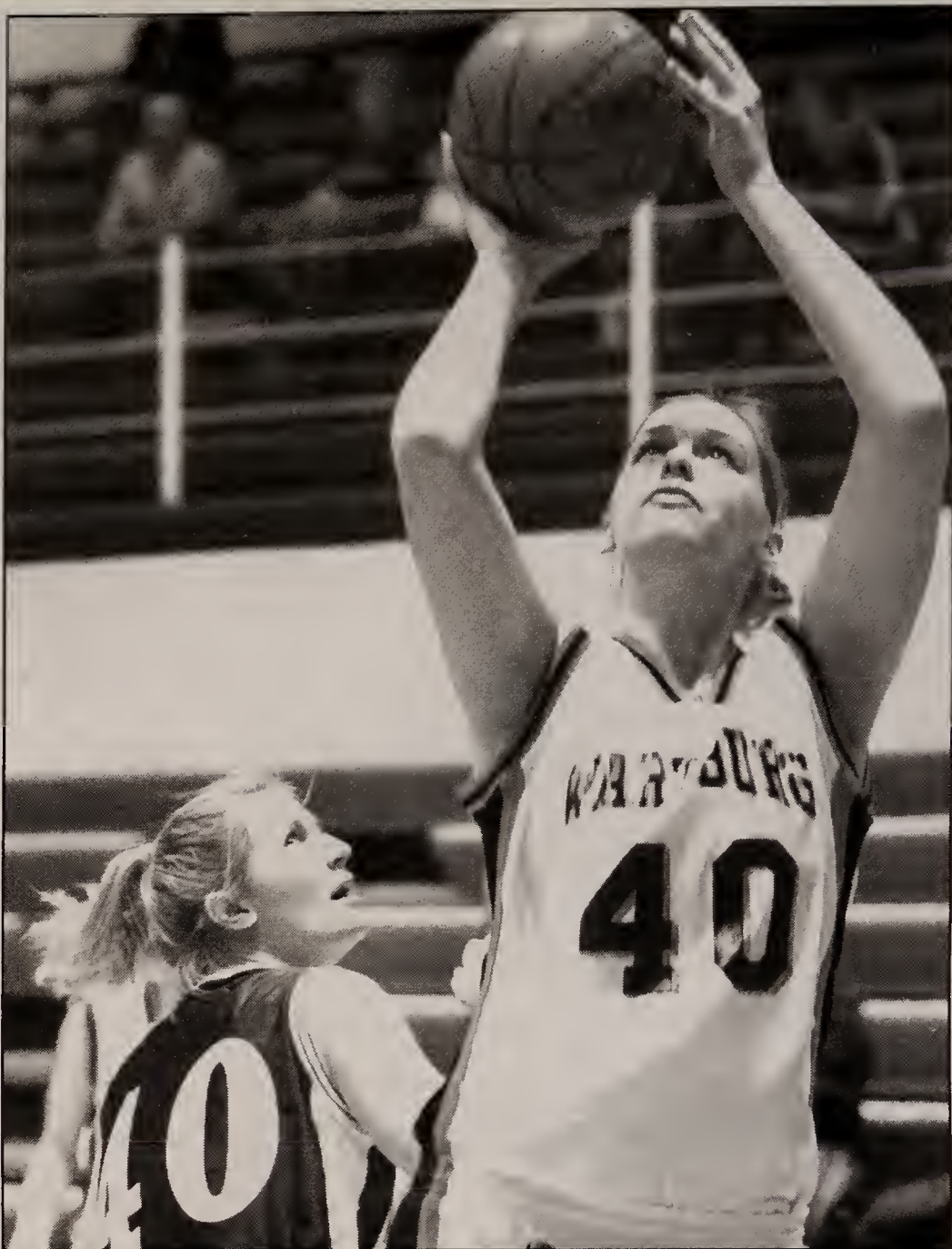
"Friday was the best game we played all season, we just put everything together," Campbell said. "We went in with a different attitude. We had nothing to lose, all the pressure was on them."

Wartburg never trailed Tuesday night, either. From the opening point, the Knights controlled the game and led by 10 at the half. Wartburg used a 14-0 run to start the second half and went on to a 73-53 win.

Once again Berner led the way with 19 points and 12 rebounds. Huber put in 15 points, while sophomore Tarah Mulder had 13 points. Freshman Megan Hendricks scored 10 points off the bench.

"I think the big thing is what this team was able to accomplish this year," Severson said. "They always believed in themselves. This team never thought they couldn't beat anyone they played."

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CAREER FINALE—Senior Amanda Berner puts up a shot in Tuesday's Iowa Conference quarterfinal game against Loras.

Tennis splits weekend battles



.500 DAY—Senior Vedran Solaja returns a volley during one of his matches Saturday. Solaja went 1-1 in singles play and also split his doubles matches. The Knights lost to Central 7-0 before beating Loras 7-0.

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Central 7, Wartburg 0

Singles

1. Nick Cochrane (CEN) def. Mark Giesmann (WAR) 6-2, 6-2
2. Jason Ford (CEN) def. Greg Koenen (WAR) 6-0, 6-0
3. Aaron Enderlin (CEN) def. Blake Flores (WAR) 6-2, 6-3
4. Jared Fedderson (CEN) def. Vedran Solaja (WAR) 6-3, 6-2
5. David Brondyke (CEN) def. Nick Wuertz (WAR) 6-3, 6-1
6. Andrew Busscher (CEN) def. Mitch Coffman (WAR) 6-2, 6-2

Doubles

1. Nick Cochrane/Aaron Enderlin (CEN) def. Mark Giesmann/Greg Koenen (WAR) 9-8, 7-2
2. Jason Ford/Kris Walters (CEN) def. Blake Flores/Vedran Solaja (WAR) 9-8, 7-2
3. David Brondyke/Andrew Busscher (CEN) def. Nick Wuertz/Matt Connell (WAR) 8-1

Wartburg 7, Loras 0

Singles

1. Mark Giesmann (WAR) def. Timothy Muller (LOR-M) 6-0, 6-0
2. Greg Koenen (WAR) def. Andrew Reichert (LOR-M) 6-2, 6-0
3. Blake Flores (WAR) def. Michael Ervolino (LOR-M) 6-2, 6-1
4. Vedran Solaja (WAR) def. Robert Curth (LOR-M) 6-0, 6-0
5. Matt Connell (WAR) def. Andrew Behan (LOR-M) 6-5, 4-6, 10-6
6. Nick Petaros (WAR) def. Timothy Spitzer (LOR-M) 6-0, 6-1

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DEJECTED—The Wartburg bench watches as its title hopes end in the final minutes of the Iowa Conference championship Saturday.

Bubble pops: Men denied tourney trip

By NICK PETAROS
Sports Editor

Saturday after another heart-breaking 79-68 loss in the conference tournament finals to No. 10-ranked Buena Vista, the Wartburg men's basketball team found itself in an unenviable position of being on the bubble for an automatic national tournament bid.

Last night the Knights bubble was burst as the selection committee left Wartburg out of the tournament despite being ranked No. 12 nationally and No. 4 regionally.

This season the Knights accumulated an overall record of 23-5 with 20 wins in the region. Factors that may have prevented Wartburg from an automatic bid were early season losses to Grinnell and Augustana.

Against Buena Vista, the Knights struggled in the first half's battle of the boards as they were out rebounded 21-9. Wartburg overcame the rebounding deficit as senior Jordan Atchison and junior Joel Formanek connected from the three-point range, as part of a 10-4 run to close the half with a 29-28 lead.

In the second half, Buena Vista center Jordan Campbell caught fire, scoring 11 points in his team's first seven possessions giving the Beavers a 47-37 advantage with 11 minutes remaining. The Buena Vista center went 4-4 from behind the arch in the half.

"There were times we had to leave him [Campbell] to help on somebody else and he got a couple in transition as well," Wartburg head coach Dick Peth said. "We were very aware that he is a heck of a shooter."

Similar to its effort in the first two tournament games, Wartburg battled back late in the second half as a pair of free throws from senior Adam Sanchez made it a two-possession game with 4:45 remaining. That was as close as the Knights would get as Buena Vista made 11 of 13 free throws down the stretch to secure the double-digit win.

Atchison was one of three Knights to score in double digits with 16 points. Junior center Nate Schmidt tallied 13 points, while junior guard Jason Steege added 10 points and eight assists.

En route to the conference finals, the Knights overcame second-half, double-digit deficits to defeat Coe 64-62 and Simpson 73-70 in overtime.

Friday in the conference semifinals against Coe, Wartburg went on a 13-3 second half run to overcome a 27-37 deficit. During the run, the Knights relied on centers Nate Schmidt and Cassidy Peterson, who combined to score nine of the 13 points.

"Being able to get the ball inside in the second half was a major part of our success," Peth said. "Along with that we also defended the ball very well."

A pair of free throws from junior guards Rance Cartmill and Steege in the final 30 seconds gave the Knights a five-point lead. However, Coe guard Brian Brungard hit a fade away three-pointer with four seconds remaining to pull his team within two. With one second remaining, Wartburg senior Alan Johnson connected with Atchison on the in-bound pass for a dunk after time expired.



Ashley Richards/TRUMPET

BOX OUT—Senior Alan Johnson battles for a rebound against Buena Vista.

Cartmill led the team in scoring with 17 points. Atchison and Schmidt each tallied 13 in the win.

Tuesday, Wartburg avoided being upset in the first round of the tournament as the team trailed by 14 to Simpson with 7:30 remaining. From there the Knights went on a 17-3 run to send the game into overtime tied at 65. In overtime, Cartmill rebounded a missed shot and scored with 17 seconds remaining to put the Knights up 72-70. Simpson turned the ball over on the next possession and Atchison made a free throw to

put the Knights up three with 10 seconds left. Simpson missed from the three-point range as time expired.

Wartburg fans packed Knights Gymnasium to witness the thrillers as a total of 3,550 fans attended the three tournament games.

"I was really proud of the way our students and our fans came out and supported us this week," Peth said. "I feel that it played a big part of our run here at home. It's great to feel the kind of support that we got."

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Rich Rites

No matter your theory, B.V. brings on curse

The National League East has the Braves. The NFL has the Patriots. The Red Sox have the Yankees. Well, they did. And now the Wartburg Knights have the Buena Vista Beavers.

For the fourth straight year and fifth time in six seasons, the Beavers ripped out the hearts of the Wartburg nation by winning the Iowa Conference men's basketball tournament championship game. The Knights had everything on their side. The third most wins in a season in school history, a 1,000-point scorer and the third "winningest" coach in school history. All this and the Beavers still came out on top.

So, what does this mean? Obviously, Wartburg has been cursed. No one can dispute the numbers. Coach Peth has done everything right. Just three coaches have combined to coach Wartburg to the 15 20-win seasons in Knights history. Peth has done it five times — in a row.

Only 27 players have scored 1,000 points in school history. Five of them have played under Coach Peth, with one still playing. So, why have we failed to leap that elusive hurdle we call B.V.?

Well, let's look at what exactly B.V. stands for. The first thing that comes to my mind is B.V. doesn't mean Buena Vista at all but is an abbreviation for bad voodoo. Storm Lake, while I'm sure it is lovely, is awfully isolated. Could it be that the Beavers are using witch doctors in order to control this rivalry? We may need to start a whole new round of Salem Witch Trial-type investigations.

That's crazy, you say. Why would a college spend time and effort on witchcraft? Then how about another connotation with B.V.? For all of you who are of age to indulge in alcohol, maybe B.V. actually stands for Black Velvet? I say, all bottles of Black Velvet in the town of Waverly should be gathered and destroyed in a public ceremony (I know, some of you could probably find a better way to dispose of it, but no matter how much fun that would be, that may not actually break the curse).

Or, is there something a little more subtle here? Let us not forget, Wartburg is a German word, meaning the "w" could be pronounced like a "v." Maybe B.V. simply stands for beat Vartburg. The very basis of Buena Vista's existence could be just to knock off the Knights in men's basketball.

Maybe Buena Vista has just been destined to be on top of the Iowa Conference. Buena Vista, when translated from Spanish into English, does mean "good sight." Maybe just by virtue of its name Buena Vista was meant to have a view from the top, because there isn't a much better sight than that.

Or, I could just be crazy. I am a lifelong Chicago Cubs fan, so maybe with baseball season approaching I have become overly sensitive to losing streaks of any kind.

Whether it's my paranoia or something more devious, for the sake of not just Wartburg but the entire Iowa Conference, an answer needs to be found. Because, if they do have a witch doctor, I know a certain Cubs fan who should be turned into a shrunken head.

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